

Interview Summary

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

John M Hotaling II

Art Unit

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) John M Hotaling II.

(3) Bethany.

(2) Ronald R Snider reg no 24,962.

(4) ____.

Date of Interview: 26 June 2002.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.

If Yes, brief description: ____.

Claim(s) discussed: all independent claims.

Identification of prior art discussed: none.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview(if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The examiner phoned the applicants representative to see if some claim amendments (attachment 1) could be made to place the case in condition for allowance. Subsequent, to that conversation the applicant's representative submitted a information disclosure form. Upon a further search and consideration of the references on the IDS the examiner has maintained the previous rejection and added new rejections based upon a the further search and consideration of the references.

Attachment C

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Suggested claim amendments that would place the case in condition for allowance that can be done by examiners amendment.

Amend at the end of claims 1, 14, 16, 18, 20, and 22 as follows;

"wherein the special game information is displayed by figures representing objects and written information and is presented as a progressing story"

claims 23-26 amend to put back in the "special" to adjudicate antecedent basis problems

cancel claim 28 and 30

Make claims 29 and 31 dependent on claim 1

If there are any questions please call and leave a message.

Thanks in advance

Exr. John Hotaling